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**FINANCIAL.**

**TO THE HOLDERS OF THE PREFERRED STOCK**

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## Chicago & Alton Railway Co.

A large amount of the preferred stock of The Chicago & Alton Railway Company has been deposited with the undersigned, subject to an agreement, which may be seen at our office, authorizing the sale thereof on or before September 30, 1904, upon such terms and at such price as shall be approved by a preferred stockholders' committee, consisting of Messrs. John A. Stewart, Edward H. Harriman and John J. Mitchell. Holders of preferred stock of said company who desire to participate in any sale which may be made under said agreement are requested to promptly deposit their stock certificates, duly endorsed in blank, with the undersigned at their office, No. 52 William Street, New York City. The right is reserved to terminate the privilege of deposit at any time. Depositors of stock will receive transferable receipts of the undersigned entitling the holder to a pro rata share of the net proceeds of any sale, and in case no sale is made on or before September 30, 1904, to the return of the deposited stock, without expense.

New York, December 29, 1903.

**Kuhn, Loeb & Co.**

### BAD STATE CHARITY LAWS.

#### AID ASSOCIATION'S REPORT CON-DEMNS GOV. ODELL.

Blames Him for Signing the Bill Which Lets Local Authorities Stand in the Way of Proper Consumption Hospitals—Old Laws Safeguard Enough.

The annual report of the State Charities Aid Association to the State Board of Charities was made public yesterday. It contains, among other things, a review of the bills that came before the Legislature last year affecting the State's charitable institutions. It says that the legislative session of 1903, "while less momentous to the wards of the State than that of 1902, was characterized by a considerable number of important measures affecting the welfare of the poor in their homes and public dependents in institutions."

One of the most disastrous measures passed by the Legislature and signed by Gov. Odell, the report says, was that which forbids the establishment of any hospital or camp for the treatment of patients suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis in any town without the consent of the town's governing board and of the Board of Supervisors of the county in which the town is situated.

"The effect of this law," says the report, "is to make it impossible for any city in the State, or any fraternal order, charitable society or philanthropic individual to establish a hospital, camp or other establishment for the treatment of consumptives outside of city limits, except under conditions which are practically prohibitive."

The report says that in the opinion of the association the country districts were sufficiently protected by the laws then existing, which forbade the establishment of any institutions for consumptives in the State without the approval of the State Board of Health and which laid down other restrictions.

The report asserts also that the disease, instead of increasing, decreases in the districts in which institutions for its treatment are located.

By the passage of this law the thousands of sufferers from pulmonary tuberculosis in this State may be prevented from receiving the care and treatment which would result in their cure or improvement. More than 60 per cent of the people of this State live in the poor in cities that the disease is most prevalent. It is deplorable that the interests of these unfortunate people should be subordinated to the interests of a few who were already amply protected by previously existing laws.

Gov. Odell, the report says, signed the bill in spite of the protests of leading charitable and medical societies and of the Masonic fraternity of the State. The Governor's report says, must have been misled. At any rate, according to the report, he misunderstood the relation of the act to the existing statistics. The association expresses the hope, not at all confidently, however, that the law may be repealed during the present session.

The report says that the Legislature of 1903 deserves greater praise for the measure which it passed for the relief of the amendment of the Child Labor laws than for any other affecting the State's charitable work.

Speaking of Bellevue Hospital the report says:

Steadily and by no means slowly the morale of Bellevue Hospital has followed the betterment of the refreshing change in the appearance of its wards and halls, with constant effort to lay the foundations for a change in the attitude of the public toward the "Bellevue" of the sensational press—if anything but the upbuilding of the hospital has been accomplished. The board of trustees has made gratifying progress also in its endeavor to secure a new and adequate plant for the hospital.

The report emphasizes the urgent need for new State institutions for the feeble-minded, the idiotic and the epileptic, recommends that the State Board of Charities lay the power to transfer inmates from one State charitable institution to another and to determine the capacity of each institution, and indorses all efforts which are being put forth to improve the industrial features of the State's charitable institutions.

**KILLED BY FALL ON THE ICE.**

Mrs. John Quinn Slips While on Her Way Home and Dies Almost Instantly.

ORANGE, N. J., Feb. 14.—Mrs. John Quinn, mother of Assessor John Quinn of the Second District of Orange, was killed this afternoon by slipping on the ice at Bell and Globe streets while on her way to her home at 75 Bell street. She struck on the back of her head in falling and did not rise. She was carried into a house near by and died at 7 P. M. Her husband, Dr. Francis J. E. Tetrault, was summoned. He found Mrs. Quinn dead. She probably had been killed almost instantly.

**GOVERNMENT GOES SOUTH.**

His Benevolence Will Cause Adjustment of New Jersey Legislature.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 14.—Gov. Murphy and his son, Col. Franklin Murphy, Jr., left for Florida this afternoon. The Governor will spend a week at Ormond before resuming his official duties at the State House. There will be no session of the Legislature to-morrow night, as by agreement both houses will adjourn immediately after convening out of respect to the Governor in his grief over the loss of his wife.

In the temporary absence of the Executive, President Edward W. Wakelee of the Senate will, under the Constitution, be vested with the powers of the Executive; but unless something unforeseen should occur it will not be necessary for him to assume the office, even temporarily.

To do so President Wakelee would have to take the oath as Governor and relinquish his place as president of the Senate, that body meantime choosing a new presiding officer.

**PREDICTS THE NEXT WAR.**

Congressman Gardner Says It Will Be Between England and Germany.

BOSTON, Feb. 14.—Congressman A. P. Gardner, Senator Lodge's son-in-law, made a prediction at a dinner held under the auspices of the Swampscott Club, in that town last evening, that war between Great Britain and Germany is inevitable, and added that, in his opinion, this nation would become involved as a matter of self-defense.

This declaration was made in a speech which the Congressman delivered upon the Marching Men, caused surprise. "As soon as a war breaks out," said the speaker, "they will sweep each other's commerce from the seas, and who is to take the monopoly of the trade which these two countries enjoy? We could not, in that event, keep from being involved in the storm of strife, and our only salvation would be to join in that war."

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**FLOCKS OF QUAIL PERISH.**

Cold and Starvation Have Been Fatal to the Birds in Connecticut.

GREENWICH, Conn., Feb. 14.—Sportsmen and wealthy New Yorkers who own private game preserves have found during the past week that hundreds of flocks of quail have perished from cold and starvation. Dead ones are lying in stone fences and at the mouths of muskrat holes. Charles Ritch and Fred Louder can across a number of the dead quail the other day and no signs of the flocks are to be seen. It is estimated that at least one hundred flocks have perished. The biggest losers will be William Rockefeller, Charles D. Lanier, N. Witherell, George Louder, Jr., and J. H. Gourell.

**Fist Fight Proves Fatal.**

Walter Oest, 22 years old, of 223 West Sixteenth street, died at St. Vincent's Hospital yesterday of injuries he received in a fist fight with John Trumper, a fellow clerk in the employ of the Savannah Steamship Company, on Saturday. The police are looking for Trumper.

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